

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

Claims 1, 3, 11 and 30 were cancelled in Applicant's Preliminary Amendment filed November 13, 2001. Claims 2, 4-10, 12-29 and 31-34 were withdrawn as a result of Applicant's Response to Restriction Requirement filed October 6, 2003.

Please amend the claims as follows, without prejudice:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Withdrawn)
3. (Cancelled)
- 4-10. (Withdrawn)
11. (Cancelled)
- 12-29. (Withdrawn)
30. (Cancelled)
- 31-34. (Withdrawn)

35. (Currently amended) A method for removing impurities from a liquid or gas comprising the steps of:

disposing at least one magnet apparatus in an abutting relationship with a pipe carrying the liquid or gas, wherein the magnet apparatus comprises a plurality of magnets disposed in a planar relationship; and

adjusting a magnetic flux of the at least one magnet apparatus so that the flux substantially extends to a central axis of the pipe.

36. (Currently amended) The method of claim 35, wherein the step of adjusting the magnetic flux comprises ~~altering the orientation of a plurality of~~ adding at least one magnets magnet disposed within the at least one magnet apparatus.

37. (Original) The method of claim 35, wherein the step of disposing at least one magnet apparatus comprises disposing at least two first magnet apparatus and at least three second magnet apparatus, wherein poles of the at least two first magnet apparatus are arranged orthogonal to a main axis of the pipe and poles of the at least three second magnet apparatus are arranged parallel to the main axis of the pipe.

38. (Original) The method of claim 35, wherein the step of disposing at least one magnet apparatus comprises disposing at east two first magnet apparatus and at least one second magnet apparatus on each side of the pipe, wherein poles of the at least two first magnet apparatus are arranged orthogonal to a main axis of the pipe and poles of the at least one second magnet apparatus are arranged parallel to the main axis of the pipe.

39. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the at least one magnetic apparatus further comprises a housing having at least two walls, wherein at least one of the two walls abuts the pipe, and the magnets are disposed within the housing.